ON THE RIVER FRONT

WATER RAPIDLY SHOALING IN ALEXANDRIA'S DOCKS.

Large Supplies of Ice Coming-Launch

Diana Starts on Cruise-General Matters.

The freshets in the river have, it is stated, caused a rapid shoaling in the water in many of the docks at Alexandria. A leading merchant of that city at whose wharf ice vessels have been unloading for years past stated to a Star reporter Saturday that it had been his intention to have large schooners unload at the wharf again this season, but that when he went to investigate he found the water in the dock so shoal that a vessel of any size could not get in it. He had thought to take light draft barges to unload. It is estimated that in the past two years the fill has been going on at the rate of eighteen to twenty-four inches per year. Large vessels that bring cargoes to Alexandria now have often to lie in the stream and have a part of their cargo taken out be-

fore they can be docked.

The schooner Francis M., with a cargo of over 1,200 tons of Kennebec ice aboard for the dealers, has arrived in port and is lying at the 9th street wharf of the American lee Company unloading her cargo. Ica is also being sent to this city and Alexandria on barges. The barge Baltimore, la-den with ice, is lying at anchor in the stream off Alexandria, and the barge Carel na is lying on the ice dock there unloading her cargo of about 500 tons. There are law seabound to this city two or three large vessels with cargoes of Keanetec ice aboard. They will come into port during the next week or ten days and will keep the supply of ice on hand large enough to meet all ordinary demands of the hot weather. The ics factories are working full time and are turning out large quantities of the artificial product. Fish and Oyster Market.

The hot weather of the past two or three days has had a depressing effect on the wholesale fish market and this morning the demand for the fish was light. The supply received by the dealers from Chesapeake bay and the fisheries on the coast about Virginia Beach was small, and consisted mainly of trout and butterfish. Hard-shelled crabs are rather more plentiful than they have been, but still the market is not, it is stated, overstocked. Soft crabs continue very scarce and are commanding good prices. The demand for shell fish of all kinds is light.

The large power launch Diana, Captain Davis, with her owner, Mr. Norment, and a party aboard, will leave at once for a cruise on the lower Potomac. She will visit Colonial Beach and the other resorts on the lower river before returning to port. Nearly the whole fleet of pleasure craft owned here left port Saturday night or yesterday narning for short cruises on the Potomac. The steamer Wakefield on her trip up from the lower Potomac yesterday brought several hundred bushels of new wheat from Virginia and Maryland points to the mills here and at Alexandria. Vessels laden with the grain are also coming into port daily. The work of cleaning up the tug George W. Pride, which was sunk by the fire en-gines in order to extinguish a fire aboard her, has been started and the vessel will be made ready for repairs as soon as possible

Among the Freight Craft.

The big seagoing tug Neptune of Baltimore came into port yesterday afternoon with a tow of four barges, the Mary S. Brady, Thos. J. Claver, M. C. McNelly and the Magnolia, laden with hard coal from Philadelphia for the dealers. The barges have been taken to Baltimore to unload 🕻 their cargoes.

The four-masted schooner The Josephine laden with phosphate rock from Charles ton, has arrived at Alexandria, consigned to an Alexandria fertilizer company. The three-masted schooner Brinkman is lying at Alexandria taking aboard a cargo of railway ties. Large numbers of ties are now being shipped from Alexandria to Bos-ton and points in the north. The barkentine Emita is at Smoot's wharf taking a cargo of ties aboard, and the schooner Future salled from Alexandria last week with a cargo of about 20,000 ties aboard.

The schooner A. H. Quinby has arrived in port with a cargo of hard coal from Philadelphia for the dealers. The schooners C. C. Wheller and Murray Vandiver, laden with pine lumber from Virginia ports, have arrived and are unloading their car-

The Lottie Carter, Emma Temple, Rita, Euola are in port with cargoes of cord wood from the lower river for the local The barge C. B. Russell is unloading a cargo of hard coal from Philadelphia at

Alexandria.
The schooner Hattie Giles, with a cargo for Alexandria, came up the river Saturday and is lying at the wharf foot of Queen street to unload.

The schooner Belmont, laden with oak

piling from a river point, came into port jesterday evening.

ARMY UNIFORMS.

Manner of Issuing the New Olive Drab Uniform. With a view of absorbing the surplus

stock of uniform clothing resulting from the adoption of the new uniform, the following instructions have been communicated to the army: All the troops serving in the United

States, with the exception noted in paragraph IV of this order, will be equipped with the full-dress uniform consisting of dark blue caps with bands; dress coat, new pattern; collar ornaments; breast cord, and until exhausted with trousers of the pattern in use prior to the adoption of the new uniform.

All artillery troops serving in the United States will be equipped with the full-dress uniform, consisting of dark blue caps with bands, uniform dress coat and trousers of the pattern in use prior to the adoption of the new uniform, collar ornaments, and breast cord. The issue of the coats and trousers to continue until available stock shall have become exhausted by issues.
All organizations heretofore provided with the entire new uniform will continue

to be so equipped.

Organizations which have been furnished with the olive-drab service uniform only will continue to draw the same. All other troops will, until they can be so supplied continue to draw the articles issued prior to the adoption of the new uniform. The issue of the sky-blue overcoats on and will continue to all organizations

which have not already been provided with the new olive-drab overcoats. No olive-drab flannel shirts will be supplied to any organization until the dark blue flannel shirts on hand shall have been absorbed.

Khaki cork helmets will until exhausted be worn with the khaki cotton service uni-form by troops serving in the United States, except on occasions where the re-quirements of the service will necessitate the wearing of the campaign hat. All troops are permitted to draw dark blue blouses, manufactured prior to the adoption of the new uniform, for wear when not on duty, if they so desire.

The Issue of service trousers made of cotton khaki material will be continued until exhausted, except to organizations which have already been provided with

The following are the prices at which the articles of the pattern in use prior to the adoption of the new uniform specified in this order will be issued to the enlisted

men:
Khaki cork helmets, \$1.00 each; sky-blue overcoats, all arms.' \$6.44 each; blouses, tined, \$2.93 each; blouses, unlined, \$1.99 each; dark blue flannel shirts, \$1.53 each.
In view of the foregoing requirements all enlisted men of the army will hereafter be credited with the clothing money allowance specified in G. O. No. 103, W. D. June 15, 1904.

The Hornet a Training Ship.

The United States naval yacht Hornet which saw service as a disspatch boat in the war between the United States and Spain, is lying at anchor in the river off Alexandria, and will, it is stated, remain there for several days. The Hornet is now used Hechts' Greater Stores.

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Women's Made-up Wear-A Complete Clearance. Let the Loss Be What It May!

Of first and greatest interest in the Clean-sweep stock clearance are the offerings that are making the great second floor department, devoted to woman's wear, the center of interest and enthusiasm. Here we invite you to take advantage of offerings that we can confidently say have never been equaledprices have been named that would not be considered possible in any store in the land. The "Clean Sweep" means exactly what it says—everything is to go at a price that will sell it without a moment's delay. Come prepared to take advantage of the greatest bargains ever offered-

Summer-Weight and

Exquisite Tan. Gray and Cream Fancy Voile Skirts, with silk drop skirts; trimmed with bands of taffeta s.lk; \$7.98

India Linen, P. K. and White Duck Skirts, handsomely designed with fine lace inserting, embroidery and strapped bands; value \$2.49

Fine White Skirts in P. K. and sheer white linen; finely fashioned with embroidery and pleats; \$3.49 Wash Skirts.

Beautiful Voile Skirts, trimmed with handsomely trimmed with silk bands; \$5.08

A sample lot of Black and Brown Brilliantine and Cheviot Skirts; match bands covered buttons forming yoke effect; \$2.98

Lot of Fine Black Brilliantine and Cheviot Skirts, mostly samples; qualities sold usually at \$7.98 and \$3.98

Shirt Waist Suits.

Women's well-made Shirt Waist Suits of good quality batiste in many pretty styles, both light and dark effects; all sizes; these suits are excellent values at \$1.98; the clean sweep clearance puts the price down to

Beautiful Shirt Waist Suits, made of finest white India linons, natural linens, dotted madras, &c., some handsomely designed with hemstitched tucks and box pleats, some with strapped seams and bias bands, natural linen with tucks edged with piping of

red; every suit is tailored in the highest class manner, and most of them were made to sell and have always sold at \$6.98; take your choice now at.....

An exquisite lot of our finest Shirt Waist Suits that sell high as \$8.98, including fine Irish linens, silk stripe madras, white India linons, &c., superbly trimmed with finest Valenciennes lace, embroideries, French knots, skirts and habit backs. These fine suits in the sale at the wonderful price of.....

Silk Waists, Silk Underskirts.

Cool and filmy White China Silk Waists that sell regularly up to \$4.98; beautifully designed front, collar and cuffs with finest Valenciennes lace inserting and clusters of tucks; also black peau de sole silk

skirts, in various colors: accordion plaited and ruffled; \$6.98 usually; Clean Sweep

Out Go the Waists at Less Than Half Price

Our plans call for the biggest and busiest sale we've ever had in our waist section-for the offerings brought about by the Clean-sweep Clearance are so out of the ordinary and the prices are so greatly below the lowest you've ever heard of, that few women will allow such chances to pass. Have you ever heard of anything to equal this?

About 250 good quality Waists, white and colored, none of which has ever sold under \$1. Clean Sweep price,

> All the White Waists that have sold up to this time at \$2; many elegant styles and materials; 98c. for choice.

All the fine White Waists that have sold at \$1.50-Madras, White Lawns, India Linons, &c.; all new and very desirable styles.

Choice from all the finest White Lawn Waists that have sold high as \$3.98; many exquisite effects to choose from.

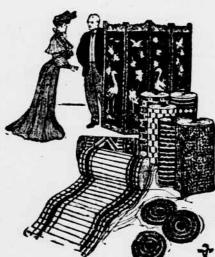
Satin-stripe Color Silk Pongees

This is one of the big leaders in the Dress Goods Department, and we are well within the truth when we say that such an offering has never before been, and will probably never again be, offered. In the lot you will find beautiful natural color Pongees, every thread pure silk, s ome with neat satin stripes, some with strips of open work. As the selling will be rapid, we'd suggest that you come promptly.

60 Cheney Bros.' 24-inch Foulards, in light and dark mount of the control of the wanted colors; dots, sprays and figures; values are positively \$1 and \$1.25; a big card in the Clean Sweep Sale at 69c.

33 Lot of about ten pieces of fine Black Satin Liberty; 21 inches wide; light weight; sold always at 69c. yard; not more than one dress to a buyer at

Gigantic Sale of Fine Mattings Slightly Wrapper-Transit. stained



Another big Matting sale is making things lively in our great fourth floor matting section-in fact, the Clean Sweep Sale will afford no more extraordinary opportunity for money-saving than this. It's another great cargo of mattings that comes to us from a leading importer, in accordance with our contract to take all mattings damaged in transit. Every yard of the matting in this sale is as good as the day it was made, except for slight wrapper stains here and there. Here's the pricing that will make it the matting

			100						
3,000	yards	of	Mattings	at	•	•			6½c.
			Mattings						
1,800	yards	of	Mattings	at		•			15½c.
			Mattings		•	•			19½c.
1,680	yards	of	Clattings	at	•	•	•	•	21½c.

You'll find here an assortment of attractions that will keep an eager crowd of buyers around it the day through. For instance-

Women's 25c. Imported Swiss Women's 25c. Swiss Embroid-

ered Handkerchiefs. Women's Crush Duck Belts. Boxes Fine Stationery, value

Wide Laces, 35c. & 25c. value. No. 80, All-silk Fancy Ribbon. 18-in All-over Laces, 29c. value.

About 300 Men's Shirts in this

lot; a timely offering of shirts that

could not be bought today in hun-

Specials for Tomorrow's Crowd Bringing.

Good quality Satchels, made 29c.

Large White Bed Spreads in pretty designs; worth 69c. Two 47c. Best quality Mosquito Netting, in several colors; 8-yard 29c.

Remnants of White Swiss, Silkolines and Cretonnes; 578C, worth up to 18c. yard...... 36-inch Cream Curtain Scrim; pretty designs; worth

Scrim; pretty designs; worth 5c. yard; 10 yards to a cus-

White Ruffled Swiss Curtains; worth 70c. pair.......33c. Teplitz Imitations; worth 9 2c. Lot of Bamboo Portieres: 79c.

Summer Madras Portieres in pretty stripes; sold up to \$3.50; 98c.

Furnishings Featured.

Women's Black Suede Lisle Two-clasp Gloves..... 71/2c. Women's Fast Black Hosiery...... 61/2c. Children's White Full Regular-made Hosiery..... 51/2c. Children's Fast Black Lace Lisle Hosiery; full regular made. 91/2c. Men's Fast Black Hermsdorf Dye Split-sole Socks 91/2c. Men's Sample Belts.....19c. Men's Sample Night Shirts......50c. Women's Parasols......39c.

Underwear and Shirts.

435 pieces Men's Balbriggan Underwear; manufacturers' and salesmen's samples and our own broken assortments; on sale tomorrow morning. Be on hand early and take your pick of Shirts and Drawers made to sell for 50c.,

22c.

dred lots at the price. It's an opportunity to secure two shirts for less than the cost of one. soc.

25c.

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the officers in charge of the vessel, soon de-velop into good seamen, and they are trans-ferred to cruising vessels. There are now aboard the little ship fifty or sixty young men being trained in the duties of a sailor. as far as the size of the vessel will allow.

The Highway Bridge Approach. A start has been made on the filling and grading of the embankment which is to form the Washington approach to the Highway bridge, now being built across the Potomac. A small force of hired scraper teams is engaged in removing the earth from the excess fill along the west slope of the Pennsylvania railroad bridge embankment and depositing it in place along the west side of the temporary roadeasterly half will become a part of the permanent approach to the Highway bridge.

Change of Army Storehouse. The army quartermaster's storehouse and stables have been removed from North Capitol street to more commodious quarters at the corner of Eckington place and Florida avenue, near the proposed Union railroad terminal. The new location is more convenient for the handling of material, in addition to winch the quartermasters are afforded more room for storage purposes, better facilities for handling goods and greater security against loss by fire.

JAILER'S TIMELY DISCOVERY.

Prevented a Jail Delivery at Elkins, W. Va., Last Night.

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star. CUMBERLAND, Md., July 18.-Jailer M. L. Gainer made a timely discovery last night and prevented a jail delivery at Elkins, W. Va. In the cell in which Wm. Alkire, charged with murder; W. S. Gilford, forgery, and David Sweet, murderous as-

AT NORFOLK FOR REPAIRS.

Uncas Arrives From San Juan-Coal Carriers' Crews.

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star. NORFOLK, Va., July 18.-The United States gunboat Sylph, known as President Roosevelt's yacht, in the absence in European waters of the Mayflower, now with Rear Admiral Barker's battle ship squadron, arrived at the Norfolk navy yard this morning from Annapolis. The Sylph comes here for extensive repairs, after which she will proceed to Oyster Bay for use by the President and family.

The U. S. S. Uncas, in command of Boatswain Ernest V. Sandstrom, has arrived here from the San Juan, Porto Rico, station for repairs.

Two hundred and forty landsmen will be transferred at once from the U.S. R. S. Franklin and Richmond at this navy yard to the cruiser Buffalo, which has just arrived at San Francisco from the east. The men will leave here via the C. & O. railway early Wednesday morning. They are to take the places of seamen whose time has Lieutenant Alexander Taylor, United

States Marine Corps, stationed at the Nor-folk navy yard, will leave here at once for duty on the United States prison ship Southern at Portsmouth, N. H.

The commanding officer of the United
States navy collier Marcellus, which will
be recommissioned at this navy yard in a short time with a full complement of en-listed men as a crew, has been announced Lieutenant Commander George H. Staf-ford, U. S. N., has been detached from the cruiser Des Moines of the European squadron of the Asiatic fleet, and is ordered to assume command of the Marcellus, The Collier came to this yard several months ago, after long service in tropical waters. Her crew of merchantmen was discharged, and she was placed out of com-mission. Thousands of dollars have been spent on the vessel since she arrived here. and she has been thoroughly overhauled. In recommissioning the Marcellus the Navy Department will carry its recent decision to man the coal carriers with regu-

Caesar at this yard when she is recommissioned. Lieutenant Commander Staf-ford will succeed Captain Potter, who was in command of the Marcellus, when she was ordered out of commission here.

The Marcellus' crew, which will arrive here shortly, will be from the refrigerating ship Glacier, upon the arrival of that vessel at the Brooklyn navy yard. TWO HORSES CREMATED.

County Burned. Special Dispatch to The Evening Star NORFOLK, Va., July 18.-The large barn, with its entire contents of provender, on the farm in Norfolk county of Assistant Postmaster S. B. Carney of Norfolk was destroyed by an incendiary fire last night,

Entire Contents of Barn in Norfolk

while Mr. Carney and family were attending church services, at Portsmouth. A negro named Jenkins had raised a row with the hands on W. H. Dennis' farm and Owner Dennis and an officer were on the Carney farm looking for Jenkins, when the fire was discovered. A minute afterward Jenkins was caught near the barn. He was tied to a tree while Dennis and the officer saved horses and stock from the burning barn. When Dennis went to look for Jenkins some one had freed him and he had fled

Two horses were cremated and others rendered valueless. The toss to Postmaster Carney will be \$5,000; well insured,

TO WIDEN V STREET. of Condemnation Ordered Justice Wright. Justice Wright, on motion of Assistant

Corporation Counsel A. Leftwich Sinclair. today signed an order directing the United States marshal of the District of Columbia to summon a jury of seven citizens to assess the damages and benefits in connection with the condemnation of land for the widening of V street northwest. The jurors are to report at 10:30 o'clock next Wednesday morning, to be then impaneled and sworn by the court.

V street will be extended and

FOUND DEAD IN THE WOODS. Body of Missing Man Discovered To-

day-Case of Suicide.

pecial Dispatch to The Evening Star.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., July 18.-Harry Parkinson, who has been missing from his home since last Wednesday, was found lying dead in the woods just across from the Short Line depot this morning at 10 o'clock. As he had been missing so long his sister requested Mr. Joseph Meekins, a friend of the family, to search for him. Parkinson had been seen to go across the railroad bridge about a week ago and accordingly Meekins started in that direction. When he had gone some two hundred When he had gone some two hundred yards from the bridge he thought he smelled a decaying body to his right. He went into the woods for twenty yards and discovered the body of a man lying in a clump of bushes. The body was very badly decomposed, but Meekins recognized it as the body of his friend by the suit of clothes that he wore. He at once notified Justice Davis, who accompanied by City Health Officer Welch, made an examination of the body. It was lying on its back, head toward the west. Under the left arm was found a Hopkins & Allen self-cocking revolver, No. 32.

An examination of the weapon showed

An examination of the weapon showed that there were three loaded and two empty shells in it. By the condition of the body it was evident that it had lain in the woods for at least five days. In view of the circumstances it was clearly a case of

The funeral of Miss Elizabeth Maccubbin Franklin, sister-in-law of Admiral Schley, took place this morning from St. Anne's Church. Admiral and Mrs. Schley were Church. Admiral and Mrs. Schley were among the mourners. The officiating clergyman was the rector, the Rev. Joseph P. McComas. The pallbearers were Mr. John Wirt Randall, Eugene Worthington, Julian Brewer, Dr. John Rideout, Mayor Samuel Jones, States Attorney E. C. Gantt.

Owen Hazard, twenty years old, a son of J. Frank Hazard of Galesville, this county, was accidentally shot vectories, near blee was accidentally shot yesterday near his nome by a pistol in the hands of his cousin, Roland Hutt of Baltimore. The Hutt boy was visiting Galesville and the boys had gone in bathing. Talking about pistols, Hutt said he would show his after coming

timer and M. G. Ellsey said the wound is probably fatal, as the ball has penetrated deeply and to probe would be instant death. The boy was living at noon today.

WANT REHEARING. Officers of Pennsylvania Club Appeal

to Excise Board. Attorney James H. Hayden, on behalf of the Pennsylvania Club, today filed with the District excise board an application for a rehearing on the application of the club mentioned for a license to dispense liquor to members and guests at the club house, 926 15th street northwest. The excise board rejected the club's application for liquor license last Tuesday and since that time Commissioner Macfarland has received numerous letters from members of the Pennsylvania delegation in Congress protesting against the action of the excise

board.

The District excise laws provide that motions for rehearing of rejected cases must be filed within seven days after the rejection by the board. Today is the last day of grace for the club. Section 9 of the regulations governing the sale of intoxicating liquors in the District provides with reference to rehearing on applications as follows: ince to rehearings on applications as fol-

"If any applicant for a license desires further consideration of his application after rejection, he may file with the excise board a motion clearly setting forth any new or independent facts or reasons not cumulative upon which he desires such consideration, togeti er with all the evidence in support thereof. And no rejection will be reviewed or reopened for consideration un-less said motion, accompanied by the evi-dence aforesaid, shall be filed within seven dence aforesaid, shall be filed within seven days from the date of rejection, except by unanimous consent of the board."

The excise board will consider the application and the evidence presented, and it is believed will give the authorities of the club another opportunity to present its side of the case. No date for the hearing has been fixed.

been fixed.
Commissioner Macfarland today received letters from Representatives Arthur L.
Bates and D. F. Lafean of Pennsylvania protesting against the action of the
excise board.

DEATH OF MRS. SHAFFER.

Wife of Postmaster at Laurel-Interment at Ivy Hill Cemetery. Special Correspondence of The Evening Star.

LAUREL, Md., July 18, 1904. Mrs. A. S. Shaffer, wife of Charles T. Shaffer, jr., postmaster, died suddenly at the Maryland University Hospital, in Baltimore, yesterday afternoon at 5 o'clock Death was due to paralysis of the stomach. resulting from an operation for appendicitis. The remains were brought to her late home here last evening.

The arrangements for the funeral services have not been made, though the interment will be at Ivy Hill cemetery here.

Besides her husband and son, Whyland Shaffer, fourteen years of age, two sisters, Mrs. P. P. Castle and Mrs. S. E. Ellis, and three brothers, Messrs. George W. Curley, Joseph Curley and Hugh Curley, survive

Mrs. Shaffer was taken to the hospital Thursday afternoon, and an operation was performed the same day. It was under-stood that while the case was considered to be serious, the hope was entertained that she would speedily recover. Since the death of her eldest son, D. Morton Shaffer, in April, Mrs. Shaffer has suffered consid-

rably from nervous affection. Charges Against Chaplain MacGrail. Charges affecting his integrity have been referred against Chaplain Joseph Francis MacGrail, U. S. N., now on duty on the MacGrail, U. S. N., now on duty on the Oregon, on the Asiatic station, and an order for his court-martial has been agreed upon. The nature of the charges is withheld at the Navy Department in view of the fact that an appeal in behalf of this chaplain has been made directly to the President dent, who now has the papers before him, but has not as yet acted upon the appeal. Chaplain MacGrail was appointed to the service in June, 1901, from Massachusetts, of

An American Disappears in Mexico. A dispatch from Mexico City last night

as a training ship for landsmen, and is stationed at Norfolk. The men are taken aboard, green hands, from along the land waters of Maryland and Virginia, and under the training of the able seamen and under the training of the season of the under the training of the wind of the water. Hutt said the would show his after coming the training of the wind to south of square south of south of square the training of the water. Hutt said he would show his after coming the training of the wind of the wind the same that the same training of the wind the same training of the would show his after coming the training of the

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